

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1273–S1319

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3089–3093, and S. Res. 448–450. **Page S1311**

Measures Reported:

S. 649, to require an inventory of radio spectrum bands managed by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the Federal Communications Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–159)

S. 592, to implement the recommendations of the Federal Communications Commission report to the Congress regarding low-power FM service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–160) **Page S1311**

Measures Passed:

Majority Party Membership: Senate agreed to S. Res. 450, to constitute the majority party's membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, or until their successors are chosen. **Page S1318**

North American Wetlands Conservation Act: Senate passed H.R. 3433, to amend the North American Wetlands Conservation Act to establish requirements regarding payment of the non-Federal share of the costs of wetlands conservation projects in Canada that are funded under that Act, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S1318**

Volunteers in Service to America 45th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 449, celebrating Volunteers in Service to America on its 45th anniversary and recognizing its contribution to the fight against poverty. **Pages S1318–19**

Measures Considered:

Tax Extenders Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4213, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1284–86, S1288–S1303**

Adopted:

Baucus Amendment No. 3429 (to Amendment No. 3336), to provide an explanation of the budgetary effects of legislation considered by the Senate. **Page S1285**

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 44), Coburn Amendment No. 3358 (to Amendment No. 3336), to require the Senate to be transparent with taxpayers about spending. **Pages S1284, S1285**

Lincoln Modified Amendment No. 3401 (to Amendment No. 3336), to improve a provision relating to emergency disaster assistance. **Pages S1285, S1288–91**

Reid Amendment No. 3417 (to Amendment No. 3336), to temporarily modify the allocation of geothermal receipts. **Pages S1285, S1288–91**

Baucus (for Isakson/Cardin) Further Modified Amendment No. 3430 (to Amendment No. 3336), to modify the pension funding provisions. **Pages S1285, S1288–91, S1302–03**

Baucus (for Merkley) Modified Amendment No. 3372 (to Amendment No. 3336), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant market-related contract extensions of certain timber contracts between the Secretary of the Interior and timber purchasers. **Pages S1288–91**

Baucus (for Warner/Crapo) Modified Amendment No. 3442 (to Amendment No. 3336), to ensure adequate planning and reporting relating to the use of funds made available under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. **Pages S1288–91**

Baucus (for Whitehouse) Modified Amendment No. 3365 (to Amendment No. 3336), to require the Comptroller General to report to Congress on the causes of job losses in New England and the Midwest over the past 20 years and to suggest possible remedies. **Pages S1288–92**

Baucus (for Rockefeller) Modified Amendment No. 3371 (to Amendment No. 3336), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions. **Pages S1288–92**

Baucus Amendment No. 3451 (to Amendment No. 3336), to make technical changes. **Pages S1288–92**

Withdrawn:

Lieberman Amendment No. 3381 (to Amendment No. 3336), to reauthorize the DC opportunity scholarship program. **Pages S1292–93**

Pending:

Baucus Amendment No. 3336, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1284–86, S1288–S1303**

Baucus (for Webb/Boxer) Modified Amendment No. 3342 to (Amendment No. 3336), to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose an excise tax on excessive 2009 bonuses received from certain major recipients of Federal emergency economic assistance, to limit the deduction allowable for such bonuses. **Page S1285**

Feingold/Coburn Amendment No. 3368 (to Amendment No. 3336), to provide for the rescission of unused transportation earmarks and to establish a general reporting requirement for any unused earmarks. **Page S1285**

McCain/Graham Amendment No. 3427 (to Amendment No. 3336), to prohibit the use of reconciliation to consider changes in Medicare. **Page S1285**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 55 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 45), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive section 201 of S. Con. Res. 21, FY08 Congressional Budget Resolution, with respect to Reid (for Murray/Kerry) Further Modified Amendment No. 3356 (to Amendment No. 3336), to extend the TANF Emergency Fund through fiscal year 2011 and to provide funding for summer employment for youth. Subsequently, the pay-as-you-go point of order that the amendment would cause or increase an on-budget deficit for either of the applicable time periods set out in S. Con. Res. 21, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S1284, S1285–86**

By 66 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. 46), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the Baucus Amendment No. 3336, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1292**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, and all post-cloture time be considered expired, and upon disposition of the pending amendments, no further amendments or motions be in order; the substitute amendment, as amended, be agreed to; Senate then vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill, as amended; that if cloture is invoked, then all post-cloture time be yielded back, and Senate vote on passage of the bill. **Page S1303**

Harding Nomination Referral—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of Robert A. Harding, to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, received by the Senate on Monday, March 8, 2010, be referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; that upon the reporting out or discharge of the nomination, it then be referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs for a period not to exceed 30 calendar days; that if the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs has not reported the nomination at that time, then the Committee be discharged and the nomination be placed on the Executive Calendar. **Page S1318**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Cheryl A. LaFleur, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2014.

Philip D. Moeller, of Washington, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2015.

Lawrence J. Pijaux, Jr., of Alabama, to be a Member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2014.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Measures Read the First Time: **Page S1309**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—46) **Page S1285, S1286, S1292**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:46 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 10, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1319.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Ken Salazar, Secretary, and David Hayes, Deputy Secretary, both of the Department of the Interior.

APPROPRIATIONS: FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Food and Drug Administration, after receiving testimony from Margaret Hamburg, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States European Command, United States Africa Command, and United States Joint Forces Command in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Admiral James G. Stavridis, USN, Commander, United States European Command/Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, General William E. Ward, USA, Commander, United States Africa Command, and General James N. Mattis, USMC, Commander, United States Joint Forces Command, all of the Department of Defense.

FINANCIAL TRANSMISSION RIGHTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine financial transmission rights and other electricity market mechanisms, after receiving testimony from Jon Wellinghoff, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Gary Gensler, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Garry Brown, New York Public Service Commission, Albany, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; Vincent P. Duane, PJM Interconnection, L.L.C., Norristown, Pennsylvania; Joseph T. Kelliher, FPL Group, Inc., Washington, D.C., on behalf of the Edison Electric Institute and the Electric Power Supply Association; and Michael W.

Henderson, Arkansas Electric Cooperatives, Inc., Little Rock.

U.S. CHEMICAL SAFETY LAWS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Superfund, Toxics and Environmental Health concluded a hearing to examine business perspectives on reforming U.S. chemical safety laws, after receiving testimony from Kathy Gerwig, Kaiser Permanente, Oakland, California; Charlie Drevna, National Petrochemical & Refiners Association (NPRA), Washington, D.C.; Neil C. Hawkins, The Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan; Beth D. Bosley, Boron Specialties, Valencia, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the Society of Chemical Manufacturers & Affiliates (SOCMA); Howard Williams, Construction Specialties, Inc., Muncy, Pennsylvania; and Linda J. Fisher, DuPont, Wilmington, Delaware.

U.S. PREFERENCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States preference programs, focusing on options for reform, after receiving testimony from Eric Norris, FMC Corporation, Charlotte, North Carolina; and Edward Gresser, Democratic Leadership Council, Jeffrey S. Vogt, AFL-CIO, and Gregory Simpkins, Leon H. Sullivan Foundation, all of Washington, D.C.

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) reauthorization, focusing on K–12 education for economic success, after receiving testimony from Andreas Schleicher, Organization for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD), Paris, France; Dennis Van Roekel, National Education Association, and John Castellani, Business Roundtable, both of Washington, D.C.; and Charles Butt, H-E-B, San Antonio, Texas.

LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATION VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a joint hearing with the House of Representatives Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine a legislative presentation from Veterans of Foreign Wars, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Tradewell Sr., Sussex, Wisconsin, and Robert E. Wallace and Eric Hilleman, both of Washington, D.C., all of Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

INTELLIGENCE

Committee recessed subject to the call.

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held a closed meeting on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 4783–4799; and 10 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 250; and H. Res. 1144–1154, 1147–1154, were introduced. **Pages H1219–20**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1220–22**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1146, providing for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 248) directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan (H. Rept. 111–428);

H.R. 3239, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to submit a report on the effects of the Merida Initiative on the border security of the United States, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–429, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 4506, to authorize the appointment of additional bankruptcy judges (H. Rept. 111–430).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Edwards (MD) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1173**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:44 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H1175**

Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Massa, where he resigned as Representative for the 29th Congressional District of New York, effective 5 p.m. on Monday, March 8, 2010. **Page H1175**

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of Representative Massa of New York, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 431. **Page H1175**

Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance—Reappointment: The Chair announced on behalf of the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate, the joint reappointment on March 5, 2010 of Alan V. Friedman of California, Susan S. Robfogel

of New York and Barbara Childs Wallace each to a five year term on the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance; and in addition, the joint designation of Barbara L. Camens of Washington, DC as Chair. **Page H1175**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Supporting the designation of National Robotics Week as an annual event: H. Res. 1055, to support the designation of National Robotics Week as an annual event; **Pages H1177–80**

Congratulating Willard S. Boyle and George E. Smith for being awarded the Nobel Prize in physics: H. Res. 1069, to congratulate Willard S. Boyle and George E. Smith for being awarded the Nobel Prize in physics, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 402 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 93;

Pages H1180–81, H1208–09

Honoring John E. Warnock, Charles M. Geschke, Forrest M. Bird, Esther Sans Takeuchi, and IBM Corporation for receiving the 2008 National Medal of Technology and Innovation: H. Res. 935, to honor John E. Warnock, Charles M. Geschke, Forrest M. Bird, Esther Sans Takeuchi, and IBM Corporation for receiving the 2008 National Medal of Technology and Innovation, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ recorded vote of 402 yeas with none voting “no”, Roll No. 94;

Pages H1181–82, H1209–10

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should continue to assist the Mexican Government in fighting the drug cartels: H. Res. 1032, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should continue to assist the Mexican Government in fighting the drug cartels and curbing violence against Mexican and United States citizens, both in the United States and abroad; **Pages H1190–93**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should continue to assist the Government of Mexico in fighting the drug cartels and

curbing violence against Mexican and United States citizens, both in the United States and abroad.”

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SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 4624, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 125 Kerr Avenue in Rome City, Indiana, as the “SPC Nicholas Scott Hartge Post Office”;
Pages H1200–01

Recognizing the contributions of Korean Americans to the United States: H. Res. 1036, to recognize the contributions of Korean Americans to the United States;
Pages H1201–03

Captain Luther H. Smith, U.S. Army Air Forces Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 4547, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 119 Station Road in Cheyney, Pennsylvania, as the “Captain Luther H. Smith, U.S. Army Air Forces Post Office”;
Page H1203

Congratulating Silver Lake College for 75 years of service as an undergraduate institution of higher education: H. Res. 1142, to congratulate Silver Lake College for 75 years of service as an undergraduate institution of higher education; and
Pages H1205–06

Expressing support for designation of the week of February 28 through March 7, 2010, as “School Social Work Week”: H. Res. 1091, amended, to express support for designation of the week of February 28 through March 7, 2010, as “School Social Work Week”.
Pages H1206–07

Recess: The House recessed at 5:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.
Pages H1207–08

Suspension—Failed: The House failed to agree to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act: H.R. 3650, amended, to establish a National Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Program, to develop and coordinate a comprehensive and integrated strategy to address harmful algal blooms and hypoxia, and to provide for the development and implementation of comprehensive regional action plans to reduce harmful algal blooms and hypoxia, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 263 yeas to 142 nays, Roll No. 92.
Pages H1182–88, H1208

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rule. Further proceedings were postponed:

Expressing condolences to the families of the victims of the February 27, 2010, earthquake in Chile: H. Res. 1144, to express condolences to the families of the victims of the February 27, 2010, earthquake in Chile, as well as solidarity with and

support for the people of Chile as they plan for recovery and reconstruction;
Pages H1188–90

Recognizing the plight of people with albinism in East Africa and condemning their murder and mutilation: H. Res. 1088, amended, to recognize the plight of people with albinism in East Africa and to condemn their murder and mutilation;
Pages H1193–95

Recognizing the 189th anniversary of the independence of Greece: H. Res. 1107, to recognize the 189th anniversary of the independence of Greece and to celebrate Greek and American democracy;
Pages H1195–98

Prevent Deceptive Census Look Alike Mailings Act: H.R. 4621, amended, to protect the integrity of the constitutionally-mandated United States census and prohibit deceptive mail practices that attempt to exploit the decennial census; and
Pages H1198–H1200

Commending The Ohio State University Buckeyes football team for its victory in the 2010 Rose Bowl: H. Res. 1047, to commend The Ohio State University Buckeyes football team for its victory in the 2010 Rose Bowl.
Pages H1203–05

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Flake announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution.
Pages H1211–12

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H1175.

Senate Referral: S. 2961 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1208, H1208–09, H1209–10. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on National System of Public Lands: Bureau of Land Management Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request. Testimony was heard from Bob Abbey, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE OFFICE BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Select Defense Oversight Panel met in executive session to hold a hearing on

National Reconnaissance Office Budget. Testimony was heard from Bruce Carlson, Director, National Reconnaissance Office.

DEPLOYMENT EFFECTS ON MILITARY CHILDREN

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing on reviewing studies of the effects of deployment on military children. Testimony was heard from Leonard Wong, Research Professor, Strategic Studies Institute, U.S. Army War College, Department of Defense; and a public witness.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs): Their Unique Role and Challenges Serving Lower-Income, Underserved and Minority Communities.” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Michael Barr, Assistant Secretary, Domestic Finance; and Donna Cambrell, Director, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund (CDFI); and public witnesses.

DIRECTING THE PRESIDENT, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5(c) OF THE WAR POWERS RESOLUTION, TO REMOVE THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES FROM AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a closed rule. The rule provides for three hours of general debate on H. Con. Res. 248, directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan, with 90 minutes to be controlled by Rep. Kucinich or his designee and 90 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution. The rule also provides that the concurrent resolution shall be considered as read. Testimony was heard by Representative Kucinich.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2010

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense health programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the National Nuclear Security Administration, 10:15 a.m., SD-116.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2011 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 2 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine U.S. government efforts to counter violent extremism, 10 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the Active, Guard, Reserve, and civilian personnel programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine the military space programs in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2011 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine advancing American innovation and competitiveness, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine S. 1696, to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study of video game console energy efficiency, and S. 2908, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to require the Secretary of Energy to publish a final rule that establishes a uniform efficiency descriptor and accompanying test methods for covered water heaters, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 2895, to restore forest landscapes, protect old growth forests, and manage national forests in the eastside forests of the State of Oregon, S. 2907, to establish a coordinated avalanche protection program, S. 2966 and H.R. 4474, bills to authorize the continued use of certain water diversions located on National Forest System land in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness and the Selway-Bitterroot Wilderness in the State of Idaho, and S. 2791 and H.R. 3759, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant market-related contract extensions of certain timber contracts between the Secretary of the Interior and timber purchasers, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine new directions in global health, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Organizations, Human Rights, Democracy and Global Women's

Issues, to hold hearings to examine the future of U.S. public diplomacy, 3 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider the nominations of Patrick K. Nakamura, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, Gwendolyn E. Boyd, of Maryland, and Peggy Goldwater-Clay, of California, both to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation, and Sharon L. Browne, of California, Charles Norman Wiltse Keckler, of Virginia, and Victor B. Maddox, of Kentucky, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation, and Gary Blumenthal, of Massachusetts, Chester Alonzo Finn, of New York, Sara A. Gelser, of Oregon, Ari Ne'eman, of Maryland, Dongwoo Joseph Pak, of California, Carol Jean Reynolds, of Colorado, Fernando Torres-Gill, of California, and Jonathan M. Young, of Maryland, all to be a Member of the National Council on Disability, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the lessons and implications of the Christmas day attack, focusing on watchlisting and pre-screening, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine corporate spending in American elections after Citizens United, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gary Scott Feinerman, and Sharon Johnson Coleman, both to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and William Joseph Martinez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

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Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry, hearing to review USDA's information technology systems, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Food and Drug Administration, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, on Economic Development Administration, 10 a.m., H-310 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Defense, on Air Force Posture, 1:30 p.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for DOE Nuclear Nonproliferation, 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, on Fiscal Year 2011 Budget for the Department of the Treasury, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on FEMA—Preparing for Disasters and Minimizing Losses, 9:30 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies, on Science for America's Lands, Water and Biota: U.S. Geological Survey Fiscal Year 2011 Budget

Request, 9:30 a.m., and on Reclaiming Abandoned Mines and Regulating Surface Coal Mining: Office of Surface Mining Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 11 a.m., B308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on Department of Labor Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Overview, 11 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, on Fiscal Year 2011 House of Representatives Budget, 10:15 a.m., H-144 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies, on Navy/Marine Corps Budget, 10 a.m., H-143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, on Sustainability in Practice, 9:30 a.m., and on HUD and DOT's Sustainability and Livability Initiatives in the Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 11 a.m., 2358A Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, on Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Budget Requests from the U.S. European Command, U.S. Africa Command, and U.S. Joint Forces Command, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, hearing on Army acquisition and modernization programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing on H.R. 413, Public Safety Employer-Employee Cooperation Act of 2009, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3125, as amended, Radio Spectrum Inventory Act; H.R. 3019, Spectrum Relocation Improvement Act of 2009; and H.R. 1258, as amended, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Drug Safety: An Update from the FDA," 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Regulation of Money Service Businesses," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity and the Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, joint hearing entitled "Approaches to Mitigating and Managing Natural Catastrophe Risk: H.R. 2555, Homeowners' Defense Act," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on The Google Predicament: Transforming U.S. Cyberspace Policy to Advance Democracy, Security, and Trade, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, and the Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight, joint hearing on International Worker Rights, U.S. Foreign Policy and the International Economy, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward the Americas in 2010 and Beyond, 2:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, oversight hearing on proposed settlement of the Corbell v. Salazar Litigation, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science and Technology, hearing on Fiscal Year 2011 Research and Development Budget Proposals and EPA and NOAA, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on the National Science Foundation's Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to mark up the following: H.R. 3976, amended, Helping Heroes Keep Their Homes Act of 2009; H.R. 3948, amended, Test Prep for Heroes Act; H.R. 4592, amended, To provide for the establishment of a pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related positions; H.R. 1879, amended, National Guard Employment Protection Act of

2009; H.R. 4667, Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2010; and a discussion draft, To amend title 38, United States Code to make certain improvements in the services provided for homeless veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, followed by a hearing on Structuring the VA of the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on MIP and Service Elements Budget for Fiscal Year 2011, 10 a.m., and executive, hearing on Covert Action Budget for Fiscal Year 2011, 3 p.m., 304 HVC.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled "The Clean Energy Recovery: Creating Jobs, Building New Industries and Saving Money," 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 2 p.m.), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 4213, Tax Extenders Act, and upon disposition of the pending amendments, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon, and if cloture is invoked, vote on passage of the bill.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Program for Wednesday: Consideration of the following suspensions: (1) H.R. 4573—Debt Relief for Earthquake Recovery in Haiti Act; (2) H. Res. 1087—Honoring the life of John H. “Jack” Ruffin, Jr.; (3) H. Res. 1115—Expressing appreciation

for the profound dedication and public service of Enrique “Kiki” Camarena on the 25th anniversary of his death; (4) H. Con. Res. 249—Commemorating the 45th anniversary of Bloody Sunday and the role that it played in ensuring the passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965; (5) H. Res. 1081—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Month; (6) H. Res. 1061—Honoring the heroic actions of Court Security Officer Stanley Cooper, Deputy United States Marshal Richard J. “Joe” Gardner, the law enforcement officers of the United States Marshals Service and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and the Court Security Officers in responding to the armed assault at the Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse on January 4, 2010; and (7) H.R. 4783—To accelerate the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of the victims of the earthquake in Chile, and to extend the period from which such contributions for the relief of the victims of the earthquake in Haiti may be accelerated. Consideration of H. Con. Res. 248—Directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan (Subject to a Rule).

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